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Position and District Sought*: Judge, First District Court of Appeals

Are you an incumbent for this office?*: YES

Have you previously held an elected position?*: YES

: Judge, First District Court of Appeals February 2015-present
Judge, Hamilton County Municipal Court June 2004-February 2015

: Hamilton County Republican Party
FOP Queen City Lodge #69
Prosecutor Joe Deters
AFL-CIO
Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 392

: Protect the U.S. Constitution and the Ohio Constitution.
Not legislate from the bench.

1. Which former U.S. president's political philosophy best matches your own?: Ronald Reagan

Comments - Question 1:

2. Which U.S. Supreme Court Justice's legal philosophy best matches your own?: the late Justice Scalia

Comments - Question 2:

3. Rate your judicial philosophy regarding the U.S. Constitution on a scale of 1-10 with "living/evolving document" being 1 and "strict constructionist" being a 10: 9

Comments - Question 3:

4. In *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the U.S. Supreme Court recognized a “right to privacy” under the Constitution that includes abortion. The Constitution does not include this right.: Agree

Comments - Question 4: I am bound to follow precedent developed by higher courts.

5. Judges should refrain from “legislating from the bench.” The translation of public policy into law and the creation, extension, modification or limitation of citizens’ rights (and governmental authority) are properly within the province of the legislative, not judicial, branch of government.: Agree

Comments - Question 5:

6. An unborn child is biologically human at every stage of his or her biological development, beginning at fertilization.: Agree

Comments - Question 6: I am bound to follow precedent developed by higher courts.

7. The law should be applied to pro-life demonstrators in the same manner as is applied to environmental, anti-war and labor demonstrators.: Agree

Comments - Question 7:

8. There is no provision in the current Ohio Constitution intended to require the use of public funds for abortion.: Agree

Comments - Question 8: I am bound to follow precedent developed by a higher court.

9. The judiciary does not possess the authority to expand the definition of marriage to include anything but one man and one woman.:

Comments - Question 9: I believe the Ohio Code of Judicial Conduct prevents me from answering this question. But I will say that I have taken an oath to protect both the U.S. and Ohio Constitutions and uphold the law. I will maintain an open mind with respect to all cases or controversies that may come before me. I will not legislate from the bench or insert my personal beliefs and I am bound to follow precedent developed by higher courts.

10. The law protects individuals’ and organizations’ rights of conscience from being forced to participate in abortion or other practices contrary to their moral or religious convictions.:

Comments - Question 10: Please see my answer to #9

11. Laws, regulations, or ordinances that restrict individuals’ and organizations’ rights of conscience are unconstitutional.:

Comments - Question 11: Please see my answer to #9

12. Laws that require businesses or religious organizations to work for or provide services to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons despite these entities’ religious or moral objections are unconstitutional.:

Comments - Question 12: Please see my answer to #9

13. List all organizations to which you have contributed time or money in the past four years.: St. Ursula Academy
St. Ursula Villa
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Cincinnati
Operation Legal Help Ohio
Mount Aloysius
Catholic Inner City Schools Educational Fund
Karen Wellington Foundation